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## CANDIDATES FOR SBA PRESIDENT



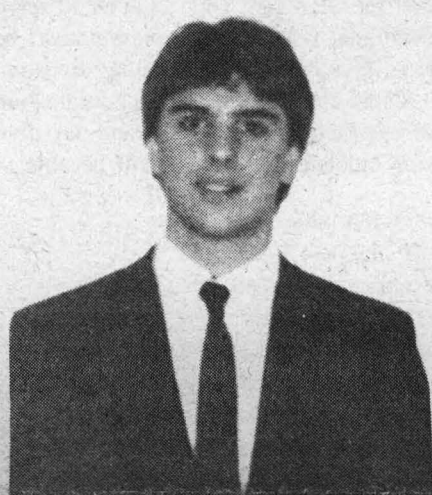
**PAT LENARD**

My name is Pat Lenard and I'm running for SBA President. As Treasurer this year, I've done a lot of work for you in addition to my job as Treasurer including running the Boatside TANGS and the Holiday party, coordinating SBA activities with the administration, improving communications with the member organizations and encouraging them to hold fundraisers. My duties as treasurer included running Budget Meetings, managing a \$25,000 budget in a money market account to earn \$300 in interest and accounting for SBA expenditures down to the last receipt!

The SBA can be a viable center of communication and community for the Law School. I propose the following:

- 1) Weekly SBA meetings with mandatory attendance by Day and Evening Reps. Posted minutes will keep you informed. The office will have set hours and will be a communication center.
- 2) Include Intra-mural sports as member organizations subject to SBA approval for financing. Additional proposed teams: Co-Ed Volleyball, Softball and Women's B-ball.
- 3) Cut lockers August 1st to avoid future scofflaws.
- 4) Renew the Social Committee with an elected Chairperson to coordinate social activities in addition to traditional TANGS. Raise \$ for a VCR and show weekly movies in the lounge. Additional movies can be shown in the Ampitheatre for a nominal fee.

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**BYRON MENEGAKIS**

SBA must first be a representative medium through which students can express their interests, concerns and priorities and, second, assume a leadership role by acting upon its own initiative. It should be accessible and responsive and should not neglect to inform the students of its activities and accomplishments.

As President, I will distribute a questionnaire in which students can indicate their spending priorities and set forth their expectations. I shall explore the possibility of establishing a pass/fail option for electives and expanding the on-campus interview program. I will seek to increase cooperation between SBA and other student organizations and continue efforts to establish a scholarship for students with non-paying summer internships. Furthermore, I shall actively represent to the administration and relevant organizations student opinion on such issues as the Law Review selection process and the Unified Writing Competition.

To improve the "quality of life" I will do what is possible to arrange for functioning xerox machines, equitably distribute working lockers, obtain typewriters for student use, acquire more revenue-producing video games, efficiently schedule intramural basketball/floor hockey and publish a student directory.



**BARBARA CURRAN**

The SBA can be an important and vital organization at Fordham Law School. The SBA can have the power to enrich our intellectual and social lives given the proper leadership and the creative use of its resources. In becoming a vital organization it is really the little things—the setting and sticking to attainable goals; the willingness to listen and act upon students' concerns—which count the most.

If elected SBA President, I will be fully committed to ensuring that the "little things" which make for an effective SBA are carried out. Indeed, Fordham is an excellent law school. As students and members of the SBA, each of us deserves and should demand effective leadership in an SBA that strives for excellence.



**JILL NEVINS**

According to the school catalogue the SBA should serve as a channel of communication between the students and the school's administration. Unfortunately, the SBA has failed to assert its authority and realize its potential as an organization. In addition, the SBA has even been unable to perform its minimal administrative duties.

As a representative organization the SBA should establish a dialogue with the administration to consider alternatives to the presently overwhelming first year curriculum (more courses and credit hours than most other schools). The SBA should also attempt to communicate the need of the Jewish student population, which represents a large percentage of the students, not to have classes scheduled on the high holidays.

Administratively, the SBA could improve greatly. Students should fill out a card with their name, address and telephone number on it when they register for classes fall semester. This would enable the directory to be published early in the fall. Also at registration all students, not just first years, should be assigned a locker to avoid the squabbling which took place this year.

There is a lot of room for improvement of the SBA. I believe SBA needn't continue to be the ineffective organization it has become.



# CANDIDATES FOR SBA VICE-PRESIDENT



**MICHAEL B. MANGINI**

An elected official of any government possesses a unique opportunity and responsibility to beneficially influence his constituents, but failure to exercise the responsibility renders the opportunity hollow.

We at Fordham constitute a community for which the potential is boundless. Under very few banners can so many unite to accomplish so much.

Students, alumni, faculty, and administration perennially distinguish themselves in scholarly, professional, and charitable pursuits. This brief opportunity does not allow a detailed discussion of these accomplishments, but they surround us. We truly do form a community wherein individuals and organizations never fail to help each other and the common cause.

Within this community of competence, however, there exists a great deal of room for growth. I seek the position of SBA Vice-President because I recognize our potential and can and will help to actualize it for the common good.

The rigors of our law school experience tend to dissuade students from pursuing extracurricular activities. SBA must be ready willing and able to fill this void by bringing ideas and policies to the students and maintaining an open dialogue with the administration.

I hereby actively seek the opportunity to labor for our community of interests and exercise that responsibility.



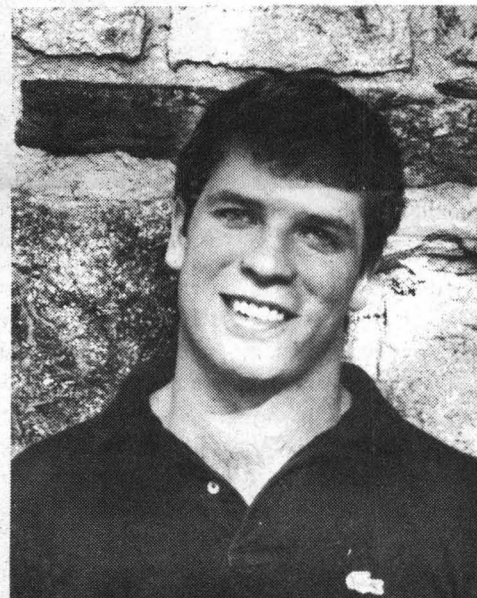
**HELEN MAKRIS**

My name is Helen Makris and I am running for Vice-President of SBA. My running partner and I plan to reform some of the past practices of the SBA. The SBA will be more attentive to the needs of the entire student body. I plan to be accessible as much as possible so that I can be responsible to whatever problems may arise. I feel it is very important to be around so that the SBA can work together to serve everyone, whether the representatives be from first year, day, or evening division.

Other changes will be the coordination of events between evening and day division students so that all will be able to

attend employment seminars, etc., at mutually convenient times and locations. Orientation will also require more volunteers so that entrance of the incoming student body to the rigors of law school will be made easier. The student directory will also be handled at orientation and registration so that any problems in address changes from previous years may be handled as quickly as possible.

In conclusion, I feel I am a good candidate for Vice-President of the school since I have served as Vice-President of 2B over the past year thus making me sensitive to these issues.



**ANDREW "DUKE" MALONEY**

## LENARD *from front page.*

5) Have "coffee hours" with alumni, evening students and the administration to discuss job prospects, academic questions and current events.

6) Monthly speakers and receptions on your suggested topics.

I've proved my capabilities this year and I know I can do a great job for you. I appreciate your vote and support. Thanks, Patti

## The Advocate

**FORDHAM UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW**

**The Advocate is the official newspaper of Fordham Law School, published by the students of the school. The purpose of the Advocate is to report news concerning the Fordham Law School Community and developments in the legal profession, and to provide students with a medium for communication and expression of opinion.**

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The SBA is more than just TANG's, the directory, lockers, xerox machines, and clocks. These are trivial tasks with which students often identify the SBA. The SBA however, is and should strive to be much more than this.

The SBA should improve its communication channels between the students and the faculty, administration, and alumni. The SBA can improve the school's image in many ways both internally and externally.

A greater effort should be made to get more "big name" speakers and debaters at Fordham. Students will be more motivated to attend and participate, while simultaneously increasing Fordham's reputation from the publicity. A greater effort needs to be made to bring the alumni

back to the school for informal socials where students can mingle in a casual atmosphere and gain insights and ideas as well as passing on a resume or two. Faculty and administrators should also attend these social events thereby enabling students to speak freely to them as well. Following along these lines of improved communication, Fordham could improve communications with other law schools throughout the city—maybe by way of an occasional inter-law school TANG. The SBA can take the lead at Fordham to strive for things that really matter such as internal student interaction, external interaction with alumni and the job market, and striving to improve Fordham's recognition and making it the best it can be.

Andrew Maloney



# CANDIDATES FOR SBA TREASURER



**MARK FRIMMEL**

My views on some of the salient issues that concern the Law School community are:

The writing competition should be open to the top 50% of the class and allow second year students to submit a qualifying note. I support the affirmative action component, but feel the real issue is more aggressive recruitment of minority students.

The School should award stipends to students who are interested in working as editors of The Advocate to encourage its revival.

Professors should be required to keep some sample answers on reserve along with their past examinations.

The Student directory should be published by the School Administration and not the SBA.

I would like every student to be assigned either a faculty or alumni advisor who would assist in career planning.

The SBA should publish a Student evaluation guide of the faculty and courses.

A fund should be created to reimburse students for out of pocket expenses incurred in voluntary non-paying clinicals and internships.

A system of student tutorials could provide students with part-time jobs while helping other students master difficult courses.

The recent Evening School Reception was a long overdue event. For next year's Reception, evening classes should be delayed for an hour allowing more Night Students to attend. More school events should also be scheduled at later times and selective school facilities should be available for extended hours.



**WILLIAM BRYK**

The Student Bar Association's budget of over \$40,000 a year requires an experienced treasurer with a keen sense of fiscal responsibility and the sensitivity to use that money wisely for the common good. William Bryk has these qualities plus the political independence we need in a treasurer.

Bryk earned a B.Sc. in Economics at Manhattan College. He subsequently studied English literature and journalism at the College of Mount St. Vincent, New York City Community College, and Pace University. He presently works in City government.

As an undergraduate, he was treasurer of his fraternity and the College Young Democrats. As editor-in-chief of the student newspaper, he re-organized its finances and expanded it from a monthly to a weekly.

An independent and experienced business manager and treasurer, William Bryk would bring new vigor to the SBA.

He believes the SBA's first priority should be strengthening connections between all Fordham Law students, including evening division students, and job opportunities in the outside world.

At the SBA elections, split your ticket to elect an experienced, hard-working, and independent treasurer—William Bryk.

Dear Stephen:

I am writing this letter to confirm my interest in the office of Treasurer of the Student Bar Association for the 86-87 term.

Having an evening student as an officer gives the evening division a stronger voice in the running of the school's activities. I see the day students in the library, (since I work there full-time), and the evening students in class, and because of this greater availability I feel as though I would be a competent officer.

By my being both an officer and full-time library desk clerk, I represent a perfect liaison between two extremely important interests in the law school.

Lack of communication between the SBA and the library has created confusion in the past, and I hope to be in part responsible for correcting this problem.

My background includes experience as treasurer of Junior Achievement and the National Honor Society. Because of these prior positions, I feel that I have had ample experience in the duties that I hope to undertake next year.

Thank you very much.  
James Resila

## How to live with someone who's living with cancer.

Learning to live with cancer is no easy task. Learning to live with someone else's cancer can be even more difficult.

Nobody knows better than we do how much help and understanding is needed. That's why our service and rehabilitation programs emphasize the whole family, not just the cancer patient.

We run local programs with volunteers who are recovered cancer patients, or whose lives have been touched by family members or friends with cancer. That's what makes us one of the largest, best motivated and most caring of any health organization in the country.

Among our regular services we provide information and guidance to patients and families, transport patients to and from treatment, supply home care items and assist patients in their return to everyday life.

Life is what concerns us. The life of cancer patients. The lives of their families. So you can see we are even more than the research organization we are so well known to be.

No one faces cancer alone.

This space contributed as a public service.





# CANDIDATES FOR SBA SECRETARY

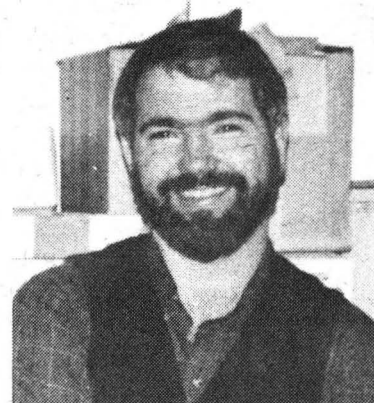


**BOB BAUR**

A student government must facilitate a forum that gathers, organizes and communicates important ideas and issues to the academic community. In order to operate effectively, it needs *two* ingredients. The *first* is dedicated representatives. Students must seriously consider the candidates for each office. A president without an efficient supporting cast cannot maintain the stability and cohesion needed to operate the organization. SBA representatives must be creative and willing to lead, communicate and listen. As President of IE, I found that some of the best ideas came from fellow students. Representatives must be sensitive to the needs and desires of others if the SBA is to be sensitive to the interests of the student body.

The *second* ingredient of an effective SBA is the student body. More programs must be geared toward including the input of day and evening students in order to enhance the entire community's legal education. As Secretary of the SBA, I would establish a forum that is sensitive to the whole community by arranging "open" meetings. These meetings would help communicate the important interests of the student body to other student organizations and the administration. Without this "forum", the SBA fails at its essential task—representation.

Thank you,  
Bob Bauer  
Candidate for Secretary



**MIKE BURKE**

I have been an active participant in school governments throughout my educational career. Presently I am class president of section 1A. As president I have been able to observe one of the most glaring weaknesses of the SBA; communication, or more appropriately the lack of it between students and the association. This is a situation I would remedy.

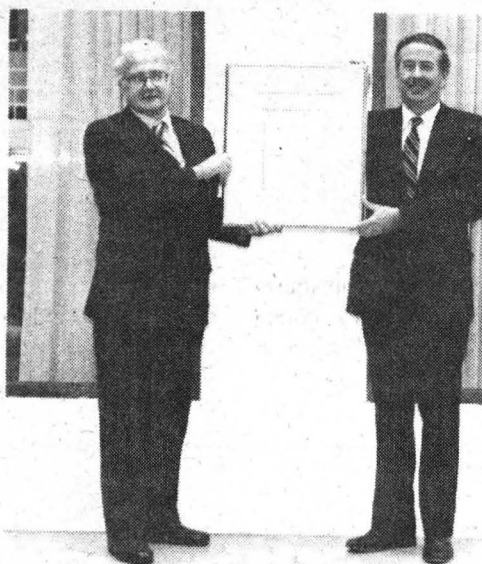
My experience in student government has been extensive. As an undergraduate I served as dorm senator, hall council secretary and head resident. Currently, I am a class agent in Skidmore College's Alumni Association. All of these positions have required an ability to effectively maintain a flow of communication between the interested parties.

As secretary, I would see that student input reached the executive board and that the board views reached the students. Here are some specific ideas I have:

1. Publish minutes of SBA meetings so there may be some level of accountability.
2. Restructure the SBA office so that it may serve as a communications center.
3. Provide information regarding financial aid deadlines and student-faculty committee meetings.

These are just a few ideas. With your support and participation there can be much more.

Thank you.  
Mike Burke



**PROF. KATSORIS (L) AND DEAN FEERICK (R)**

In order to commemorate the attendance of Associate Justice Sandra Day O'Connor of The Supreme Court of the United States at Fordham's Law School's dedication ceremonies for the Ned Doyle Wing, a plaque was mounted in the Edith Guild Platt Atrium. In a short ceremony, Dean John Feerick along with Professor Constantine Katsoris expressed appreciation to Associate Justice O'Connor for her kind words and presence at this most important event in Fordham Law School's history. The text of the mounted citation outlines the distinguished of our first female Supreme Court Justice.



The Fordham University School of Law, in conjunction with the Fordham Law Alumni Association, is organizing a special alumni group admission to the Bar of the Supreme Court of the United States. For the convenience of Fordham alumni the law school has arranged for a limited number of rooms at hotels in Washington, D.C. as well as a special, private tour of the Supreme Court Building. The ceremonies will be followed by a luncheon at the Hart Senate Office Building. Among the notable speakers will be Alfonse D'Amato, Senator from New York and our own Hon. William Hughes Mulligan.

The group ceremony will take place on Monday, May 5, 1986 at the Supreme Court in Washington. 1987 will be the Bi-

Centennial of the enactment of the United States Constitution and the creation of the Supreme Court. It is only fitting that (even greater numbers of) Fordham Law School alumni join the ranks of those admitted to the prestigious Bar of the Supreme Court of the United States at this time in its history. The group ceremony has been coordinated by Assistant Dean Robert Reilly and Professor Constantine Katsoris. The response to this from our alumni has been "overwhelming" stated Professor Katsoris. The Washington D.C. Fordham Law Alumni Chapter has become very active which will make our nation's capital even more attractive for our graduates said Professor Katsoris.